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95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES CHAPPELLE-NADAL (Sponsor), McNEIL, MUNZLINGER, LAMPE, WILDBERGER, STORCH, BRUNS, ZIMMERMAN, SUTHERLAND, NANCE, OXFORD, McGHEE, McCLANAHAN, CARTER, GRILL, JONES (117), TALBOY, SCHUPP AND DIEHL (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 191, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the Alzheimer's state plan task force.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 191, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 191.990, to read as follows:

- 191.990. 1. There is hereby established the "Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force" within the department of health and senior services. The task force shall consist of the following nineteen members:**
- (1) The lieutenant governor, or the lieutenant governor's designee;**
 - (2) The directors of the departments of health and senior services, social services, and mental health, or the directors' designees;**
 - (3) One member of the house of representatives to be appointed by the speaker of the house;**
 - (4) One member of the senate to be appointed by the president pro tem of the senate; and**
 - (5) The following thirteen members to be appointed by the governor:**
 - (a) One person who has early state Alzheimer's disease or related dementia;**
 - (b) One person who is a family caregiver of a person with Alzheimer's disease or related dementia;**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

- 15 (c) One licensed physician who has experience in the diagnosis, treatment, and
16 research of Alzheimer's disease;
- 17 (d) One person from the office of the state ombudsman for long-term care facility
18 residents;
- 19 (e) One person representing the home care profession;
- 20 (f) One person representing residential long-term care;
- 21 (g) One person representing the adult day services profession;
- 22 (h) One person representing the insurance industry;
- 23 (i) One person representing area agencies on aging;
- 24 (j) One licensed attorney with expertise in elder law;
- 25 (k) One person with expertise in minority health; and
- 26 (l) Two persons representing the Alzheimer's Association.
- 27 2. Members of the task force shall serve without compensation but may be
28 reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses from moneys appropriated to the
29 department for that purpose. The department shall provide technical and administrative
30 support services as required by the task force.
- 31 3. The task force shall have the following duties:
- 32 (1) To assess the current and future impact of Alzheimer's disease and related
33 dementia on residents of the state of Missouri;
- 34 (2) To examine the existing services and resources addressing the needs of persons
35 with dementia, their families, and caregivers; and
- 36 (3) To develop recommendations to respond to the escalating Alzheimer's disease
37 and related dementia public health situation.
- 38 4. The task force shall include an examination of the following in its assessment and
39 recommendations:
- 40 (1) Trends in state Alzheimer's disease and related dementia populations and their
41 needs, including but not limited to the state's role in long-term care, family caregiver
42 support, and assistance to persons with early-stage Alzheimer's disease, early onset of
43 Alzheimer's disease, and individuals with Alzheimer's disease and Down's Syndrome;
- 44 (2) Existing services, resources, and capacity, including but not limited to:
- 45 (a) The type, cost, and availability of services for persons with dementia, including
46 home and community-based resources, respite care to assist families, residential long-term
47 care options, and adequacy and appropriateness of geriatric-psychiatric units for persons
48 with behavioral disorders associated with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia;
- 49 (b) Dementia-specific training requirements for individuals employed to provide
50 care for persons with dementia;

- 51 (c) Quality care measures for services delivered across the care continuum;
52 (d) The capacity of public safety and law enforcement personnel to respond to
53 persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia; and
54 (e) State support for Alzheimer's disease research through institutes of higher
55 education in this state;
- 56 (3) Needed state policies or responses, including but not limited to directions for the
57 provision of clear and coordinated services and supports to persons and families living with
58 Alzheimer's disease and related dementia, and strategies to address any identified gaps in
59 services.
- 60 5. The task force shall gather public input, including but not limited to:
- 61 (1) The holding of at least one meeting in four diverse geographic regions of the
62 state during the calendar year; and
- 63 (2) Coordinating a statewide survey to gather input on services, supports, and
64 unmet needs from persons and families affected by Alzheimer's disease and related
65 dementia.
- 66 6. The task force shall submit a report of its findings and date-specific
67 recommendations to the governor and general assembly in the form of a state Alzheimer's
68 plan no later than November 1, 2010.
- 69 7. The task force shall continue to meet at the request of the chair and at a
70 minimum of one time annually for the purpose of evaluating the implementation and
71 impact of the task force recommendations and to provide annual supplemental reports on
72 the findings to the governor and general assembly.

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